

REMARKS

Status of case

Claims 12-21 are currently pending in this case. Claim 12 is the independent claim.

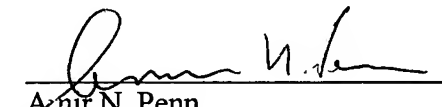
Rejections based on 35 U.S.C. §101

Claim 22 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 12-21 were deemed allowed. To expedite prosecution, Applicants cancel claim 22. The canceling of claim 22 should not be construed as acquiescing to the rejection.

SUMMARY

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner grant early allowance of this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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